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SUBJECT: 31ST UNGA: AGENDA ITEM 63 - UNITED NATIONS  
UNIVERSITY (UNU)

REF: USUN 5796 AND CORTE/RIEMER TELCON

1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH MISSION VIEW THAT SUBJECT  
RESOLUTION MAY SET PRECEDENT LEADING TO INTERFERENCE BY  
POLITICAL BODY IN ACADEMIC PROGRAM OF UNU.

2. DRAWING UPON POINTS SET FORTH BELOW, MISSION SHOULD  
SEEK SUPPORT OF FRIENDLY DELEGATIONS IN EFFORT TO TURN  
OFF SUBJECT RESOLUTION THROUGH INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS--OR  
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AT MINIMUM URGE THAT ACTION ON IT BE DELAYED UNTIL THE

COMMITTEE CAN HAVE THE BENEFIT OF HEARING VIEWS OF UNURECTOR HESTER.

3. IF RESOLUTION COMES UP FOR DEBATE, DELEGATION SHOULD DRAW UPON POINTS GIVEN BELOW AND ALSO URGE IMPORTANCE OF HEARING RECTOR'S VIEWS BEFORE TAKING DEFINITIVE ACTION ON PROPOSAL IN DRAFT RESOLUTION.

4. IF SPONSORS PRESS FOR ACTION ON RESOLUTION, WE WOULD NOT WISH TO REQUEST VOTE AND COULD, THEREFORE, ACCEPT

ADOPTION WITHOUT VOTE; THIS SHOULD BE FOLLOWED, HOWEVER, WITH CLEAR STATEMENT OF OUR CONCERNS AS NOTED BELOW. IF SOME OTHER DELEGATION CALLS FOR VOTE, YOU SHOULD ABSTAIN AND MAKE SIMILAR, EQUALLY CLEAR STATEMENT RE OUR CONCERNS.

5. CHARTER OF THE UNU ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION 3081 (XXXVIII) STATES THAT "IT SHALL ALSO ENJOY THE ACADEMIC FREEDOM REQUIRED FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ITS OBJECTIVES, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO CHOICE OF SUBJECTS." THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS BY THE GA INVITING CONSULTATIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CHAIR IN A SPECIFIC SUBJECT AREA AND INVITING A REPORT ON THEIR OUTCOME IS AN INTRUSION INTO THE ACADEMIC FREEDOM OF THE UNU. FURTHERMORE, THE ESTABLISHMENT IN THE UNU OF A CHAIR IN ANY SUBJECT AREA IS AN APPROPRIATE SUBJECT FOR CONSULTATION BETWEEN INTERESTED SPONSORS AND THE UNU'S ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION; THUS, A GA RESOLUTION ON THE SUBJECT IS UNNECESSARY TO PERMIT SUCH CONSULTATION.

6. THE ATTITUDE OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARD NON-ALIGNMENT WAS STATED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER WHO SAID IN A SPEECH IN NEW DEHLI THAT "THE UNITED STATES ACCEPTS NON-ALIGNMENT. IN FACT, AMERICA SEES A WORLD OF FREE, INDEPENDENT, SOVEREIGN STATES AS BEING DECIDEDLY IN ITS OWN NATIONAL INTEREST. SUPPORT OF NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND OF THE DIVERSITY THAT GOES WITH IT HAS BECOME A CENTRAL THEME OF AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY."

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7. IN UNOFFICIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH LDC DELEGATIONS, POINT SHOULD BE MADE THAT CONCEPT OF UNU WAS THAT OF AN INDEPENDENT, HIGH CALIBER ACADEMIC INSTITUTION FREE OF POLITICAL STRIFE AND ABLE TO EFFECTIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO SOLVING THE REAL PROBLEMS OF THE DEVELOPING NATIONS. AS ITS FUNDING DEPENDS ON VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS, ITS ATTRACTIVENESS TO DONOR COUNTRIES DEPENDS ON ITS

LIVINGUPTO THESE EXPECTATIONS. UNGA ACTIONS PERCEIVED  
AS LIMITING ITS ACADEMIC FREEDOM CAN ONLY DIMINISH ITS  
POTENTIAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT. KISSINGER

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